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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Appendix sets forth terms and conditions under which **SBC- 13STATE** will coordinate with respect to NXX assignments.
- 1.2 Definitions of terms used in this Appendix are contained in the General Terms and Conditions, except as specifically identified herein. The following definitions from the General Terms and Conditions are legitimately related to this Appendix: SBC-SWBT, PACIFIC, <a href="mailto:NEVADA, SNET, SBC-SWBT, PACIFIC, <a href="mailto:NEVADA, SNET, SBC-SWBT, PACIFIC, <a href="mailto:NEVADA, SNET, SBC-SWBT, PACIFIC, <a href="mailto:NEVADA, SNET, SBC-SWBT, PACIFIC, <a href="mailto:NEVADA, SNET, SBC-SWBT, SSBC-SWBT, SSBC-SWBT, <a href="

2. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 2.1 Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to limit or otherwise adversely impact in any manner either Party's right to employ or to request and be assigned any North American Numbering Plan (NANP) number resources from the numbering administrator including, but not limited to, central office (NXX) codes pursuant to the Central Office Code Assignment Guidelines, or to establish, by tariff or otherwise, Exchanges and Rating Points corresponding to such NXX codes. Each Party is responsible for administering the NXX codes it is assigned.
- At a minimum, in those Metropolitan Exchange Areas where **SPRINT** is properly certified by the appropriate regulatory body and intends to provide local exchange service, **SPRINT** shall obtain a separate NXX code for each **SBC-13STATE** rate center which is required to ensure compliance with the industry-approved Central Office Code (NXX) Assignment Guidelines (most current version) or other industry approved numbering guidelines and the FCC's Second Report & Order in CC Docket 95-116, released August 18, 1997 (Local Number Portability). This will enable **SPRINT** and **SBC-13STATE** to identify the jurisdictional nature of traffic for intercompany compensation until such time as both Parties have implemented billing and routing capabilities to determine traffic jurisdiction on a basis other than NXX codes.
- 2.3 Pursuant to Section 7.3 of the North American Numbering Council Local Number Portability Architecture and Administrative Plan report, which was adopted by the FCC, Second Report and Order, CC Docket 95-116, released August 18, 1997, portability is technically limited to rate

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center/rate district boundaries of the incumbent LEC due to rating and routing concerns. Therefore, Parties shall assign telephone numbers from its NXX's only to those customers that are physically located in the rate center to which the NXX is assigned.

- 2.4 Each Party is responsible to program and update its own switches and network systems to recognize and route traffic to the other Party's assigned NXX codes at all times. Neither Party shall impose fees or charges on the other Party for such required programming and updating activities.
- 2.5 Each Party is responsible to input required data into the Routing Data Base Systems (RDBS) and into the Telcordia Rating Administrative Data Systems (BRADS) or other appropriate system(s) necessary to update the Local Exchange Routing Guide (LERG), unless negotiated otherwise.
- 2.6 Neither Party is responsible for notifying the other Parties' End Users of any changes in dialing arrangements, including those due to NPA exhaust.

2.7 NXX Migration

2.7.1 Where either Party has activated an entire NXX for a single End User, or activated more than half of an NXX for a single End User with the remaining numbers in that NXX either reserved for future use or otherwise unused, and such End User chooses to receive service from the other Party, the first Party shall cooperate with the second Party to have the entire NXX reassigned in the LERG (and associated industry databases, routing tables, etc.) to an End Office operated by the second Party provided that the requested rate center is the same rate center that physically serves the customer in a nonforeign exchange arrangement. Such transfer will require development of a transition process to minimize impact on the Network and on the End User(s)' service and will be subject to appropriate industry lead times (currently forty-five (45) days) for movements of NXXs from one switch to another. The Party to whom the NXX is migrated will pay NXX migration charges per NXX to the Party formerly assigned the NXX as described in the Pricing Appendix under "OTHER".

2.8 <u>Test Numbers</u>

2.8.1 Each Party is responsible for providing to the other, valid test numbers. One number terminating to a VOICE announcement identifying the Company and one number terminating to a milliwatt tone providing answer supervision and allowing simultaneous connection from multiple test lines. Both numbers should remain in service indefinitely for regression testing purposes.

3. APPLICABILITY OF OTHER RATES, TERMS AND CONDITIONS

3.1 Every interconnection, service and network element provided hereunder, shall be subject to all rates, terms and conditions contained in this Agreement which are legitimately related to such interconnection, service or network element as provided in Section 2.99 of the General Terms and Conditions.